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**Josh Candelaria**  
Director

April 6, 2018

The Honorable Richard Roth  
Chair, Senate Budget Sub-Committee #4 on State Administration and General Government  
State Capitol  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**RE: Voting Systems Replacement Funding – SUPPORT**

Dear Senator Roth:

The County of San Bernardino is pleased to support Governor Brown's proposed \$134.3 million General Fund funding for Statewide Voting Systems Replacement to fund replacement of hardware, software, and initialing licensing for voting systems and technology in all 58 counties.

As many of the counties in California, San Bernardino County has an aging system. Our County population is 2.2 million, with a growth projection of 8.3% by 2020, which is an added pressure to modernize our system that accommodates growing communities, with certainty of streamlining their visit to the polls. A modernized voting system will assist to ease County financial burden of purchasing the new systems, state assistance to upgrade the aging system is necessary. Our voting systems were designed and engineered in the 1990s.

New equipment is an undeniable priority. It goes without saying that elections are a government responsibility that must be funded. The proposed Voting Systems Replacement Funding would establish a plan and provide funding to ensure that our elections are reliable and secure.

For the above reasons, the County of San Bernardino is pleased to support additional funding for voting system upgrades. If you have any questions regarding the County's position, please do not hesitate to contact Josh Candelaria, Director of Governmental Affairs at (909) 387-4821 or [jcandelaria@sbcounty.gov](mailto:jcandelaria@sbcounty.gov).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert A. Lovingood".

Robert A. Lovingood  
First District Supervisor  
Chairman, San Bernardino County Board of Supervisor

c: San Bernardino County Legislative Delegation

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